

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 324

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in recognizing March 17, 2009, as Teach For America Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Teach For America is a national organization that recruits a corps of outstanding recent college graduates to help carry out its goal of tackling educational inequity; corps members commit to teach for two years in the urban and rural public schools of high-poverty communities; and

WHEREAS, Teach For America in Texas participates in that effort to ensure that all students, regardless of race or family income, have the chance to attain an excellent education; and

WHEREAS, The teachers are trained to go above and beyond traditional teaching methods to lead their students to significant academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, Currently, nearly 600 corps members are working across the State of Texas, and they are serving more than 50,000 students; through their service, they help to overcome the challenges faced by children growing up in low-income communities, and the positive impact they have on their students serves as an example and an inspiration to others in the field of education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend all associated with Teach For America in Texas and extend a heartfelt welcome to the current and former corps members who are visiting the Capitol today; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Teach For America in Texas.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 17, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate